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1. PLEASE ADVISE PHASE I EXPEDITION PLANS PERTAINING TO TRaversing
OF VENEZUELAN WATERS AND DATES R/V ALPHA HELIX WILL BE IN VENEZUELAN
WATERS. ALSO, PLEASE ADVISE IF ANY STOPS ARE PLANNED IN VENEZUELAN
WATERS, FOR WHAT PURPOSES AND DATES SUCH STOPS ARE PLANNED. IF R/V
ALPHA HELIX ONLY GOING TO BE PASSING THROUGH VENEZUELAN WATERS THEN
NO PROBLEMS ARE ANTICIPATED WITH THE GOV. HOWEVER, IF ANY STOPS IN
VENEZUELAN WATERS ARE CONTEMPLATED DURING PHASE I OR ANY OTHER PHASE
OF THE EXPEDITION, THEN WE WILL NEED FULL AND COMPLETE DETAILS
REGARDING THE SHIP, ITS CREW, ITS PASSENGERS, TYPE OF EQUIPMENT ON
BOARD, COMPLETE ITINERARY FOR TIME WITHIN VENEZUELAN WATERS, ETC.
IT MAY TAKE 6 TO 9 MONTHS TO SECURE THE VARIOUS CLEARANCES NECESSARY
IF THE R/V ALPHA HELIX AMAZON EXPEDITION PLANS ANYTHING OTHER THAN
NORMAL TRaversing OF TERRITORIAL WATERS.

2. PLEASE FURNISH DATES AND COURSE TO BE FOLLOWED BY R/V ALPHA
HELIX WHILE IN VENEZUELAN WATERS. NO SPECIAL CLEARANCES ARE
NECESSARY IF SHIP JUST PASSING THROUGH TERRITORIAL WATERS.
HOWEVER, EMBASSY BELIEVES IT BEST TO FURNISH APPROPRIATE GOV
OFFICIALS THIS INFORMATION IN ORDER TO AVOID ANY POSSIBLE PROBLEMS.
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